

Minutes from October 7, 2021 Meeting of the
Ashley Falls Historic District Commission
The meeting was held at the Bushnell Sage Library Program Room

In attendance: Sandra Preston, Lou Levine (chair), Sally MacKenszie, Catherine Miller (alternate), committee members; Pat Levine, member of the public.

The meeting was called to order 5:33pm by the chair, Lou Levine, who requested that Catherine serve as a voting member.

1. It was moved by Catherine and seconded by Sally that the minutes for September 2, 2021 be approved. There were three yes votes and one abstention.
2. Report on recent activity:
 - i. The chair reported that, using the expedited procedure, a Certificate of Nonapplicability was issued to Susan Schneider for installing storm windows.
 - ii. The chair reported on the fact that RR crossing signs were about to be painted on the East Main Street crossing but the crew agreed to work elsewhere pending the request the Commission had filed with the town NOT to paint signage in the District. It has been resolved that signs will not be painted.
 - iii. The chair discussed the wording to be used in the Permittee's system regarding AFHDC properties requiring sign-off by the Commission. The agreed to wording is: **WORK ON THIS PROPERTY / ADDRESS IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY THE ASHLEY FALLS HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION.**
3. Applications received:

There followed discussion on the three applications from Jerry Clements of 1151 Ashley Falls Road:

 - a) Modifications to the north wall. After discussion it was moved by Sally and seconded by Catherine, that a Certificate of Nonapplicability be issued for the two replacement windows. Passed unanimously. Further, pending clarification on the exact location of the third (new) window, tentative approval for a Certificate of Nonapplicability was moved by Catherine and seconded by Sally. Passed unanimously. The chair will work with the owner to get this information.
 - b) Modifications to the south wall. After discussion it was agreed that the proposed window was not it keeping with the style of the house, that it was too large and too contemporary. The Commission suggested the owner consider two side by side 6x6 double hung windows in the proposed location.
 - c) Location of a propane tank and two heat pumps. After discussion it was determined that more information was needed on both matters. If the tank could be located farther back along the proposed wall, it would be approved. It was moved by Catherine and seconded by Sally that,

pending agreement on the location, a Certificate of Nonapplicability be issued. Passed unanimously. The chair will seek that agreement.

4. Discussion of the Commission's work and election of a chair was deferred to the next meeting.

It was moved by Sandra and seconded by Sally to adjourn. Passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.